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SUBJ: MALIAN REFUGEES IN ALGERIA

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1. THERE ARE AN ESTIMATED 20-30,000 REFUGEES IN SOUTHERN ALGERIAN ACCORDING TO ALGERIAN CROISSANT ROUGE SOURCES RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE (REF B&C). ALGERIANS INSIST THEY ARE TREATING ALL PEOPLE SUFFERING FROM DROUGHT EQUALLY REGARDLESS OF NATIONALITY WHICH IN ANY CASE IS VERY HARD TO DETERMINE AMONG THE NOMAD TRIBES IN THE AREA.

2. USINT HAS NOT APPROACHED ALGERIANS FONMIN ABOUT SPECIFIC DOUKARA PROBLEM AS THIS ISSUE VERY SENSITIVE WITH THEM. HOWEVER, WE EXPECT RESPONSE WOULD BE IN LINE WITH PARA 1 PLUS STATEMENT ABOUT INCREASE IN SIZE OF PROBLEM REFUGEES ARE MAKING FOR ALGERIANS, GOA ASSISTANCE TO SAHEL DROUGHT PROGRAMS IN NEIGHBORING STATES, AND IMPOSSIBILITY OF CONTROLLING MOVEMENT OF NOMADS. ALGERIAN
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ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN ALGERIA IS AIMED AT SETTLEMENT OF

NOMADS IN LONG RUN, SO PROBLEM OF REPATRIATION CAN BE
EXPECTED TO CONTINUE.
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